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### RE: PM 874/CO REDUCTION BY CIGARETTE ROD DESIGN

Dear Howard:

Attached is a preliminary disclosure related to a cigarette having reduced CO delivery. The basic concept was developed by Mr. Robert Jenkins of R&D. The subject matter is related somewhat to PM 622, Helf. 582-895, (N. Rainer et al.) filed in USPTO 5 March 1979. In view of this filing, I believe the instant disclosure should be given immediate attention to determine whether an application should be prepared and filed.

Please refer to the prior art statement in PM 622 for pertinent background information. Also attached is recently issued U.S. Patent 4,142,534 to Brantl which should be of some interest in this case.

After you have assessed the situation, please advise me as to what additional information is required.

Very truly yours,

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